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Comment. The following list of Soviet Legation personnel was furnished by the Soviets to Lebanese authorities at the latters' request in early November 1948, and purports to be complete. It divides the personnel into three categories - diplomats, "collaborators," and local employees. In Beirut the term "collaborator" is used only by the Soviets as a legation personnel classification. It represents a rank just below that of officer.)

1. Diplomats

Viktor Khangulov, Charge d'Affaires wife, Vera

Fedot (Fyodot) Pissarenko, Attaché wife, Antonia

Aleksandr Berezin, Commercial Attaché

Andrei Kilochko, Attache 25X1A6a wife, Olga

Comment. The name of Yevgeni Podvigin is omitted, which may mean that his return is not expected. He was said in early November to have been in the Soviet Union for about a month and a half. In denial of a rumor that there were large numbers of Soviets in the Beirut Logation posing as Commercial Attaches, the Soviet Legation announced that there were only two Commercial Attaches, one of whom had been in the USSR for a long time. As Berezin is known to be in Beirut, it is assumed that Anatoli Dneprovski, formerly listed as Commercial Attache, is still in the USSR. Berezin's wife went to Russia in September 1948. The name of Vladimir Ivanov, Press Attache, is omitted, although he was seen at the Soviet Legation reception in November in official uniform.)

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2. Collaborators

Arshak Sarkissian

Nikolai Martinov wife, Elizaveta

Boris Smirnov wife, Maria

Ivan Grichin wife, Maria

Aleksandr Kusnetsov wife, Katerina

'Abd-al-Rahman Najmetdinov

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Viktor Kitashov wife, Armida

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Comment. The names of Andrei Posisayev and Nikolai Kepanov are not listed, although their names were given officially as "collaborators" in April and September 1948, respectively.

When the Kilochkos on 13 October 1947. Najmetdinov, the Soviet spelling of this name, has been reported previously as Najmeddinov.

3. Local Employees

Vasil Yasmin, at the Office of the Commercial Attaché

Khasar Yskinian, gardener

Abram Tamarsayan, gardener

Marie Yorgisi, servant at the Commercial Attache's office

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Raiif Khuri

Comment. There are several names omitted from the above list of local employees which should fairly certainly be included.)

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